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1. European Patent Publication No. 0 685 953 A, published December 6, 1995.
2. United States Patent No. 5,594,778, issued January 14, 1997.
3. European Patent Publication No. 0 602 840 A, published June 22, 1994.
4. Japanese Patent Publication No. 10-289045, published October 27, 1998.
5. International Patent Publication No. 97/35413 A, published September 25, 1997.
6. International Patent Publication No. 94/01958 A, published January 20, 1994.

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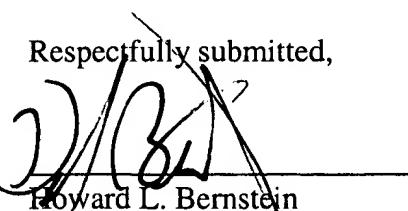
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